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SUBJECT: SWEDEN UNDECIDED ON CANADIAN CLUSTER WEAPONS
PROPOSAL

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Classified By: Polcouns Christensen for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) On April 3, poloff delivered reftel demarche to Bosse Hedberg, Deputy Director of the Department for International Law, Human Rights and Treaty Law. Bosse said the Swedes are flexible towards how to handle interoperability issues, but have not reached a final decision. He referred to the Swedish proposal set out at the February Oslo Process in Wellington, which calls for the delegations to "carefully consider whether the current drafting of the Art. 1 (c) is the optimal language for all who participate in" international military operations, such as non-aligned Sweden. Hedberg said the interoperability problems could be solved outside of the discussion text on an ad hoc basis, thereby freeing the text from detailed rules.
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